

CENTRAL SCHOOL'S TRADE ANNEX NOT INVITING FOR STUDY

Ambitious Boy Students Forced
to Congregate in Cellar
Locker Rooms

DINGY LECTURE HALL ADDS TO DISCOMFORT

The boys attending the annex of the Central High School at Seventeenth and Wood streets, where trades are taught, are unfortunate if they arrive at school before the precise moment at which the classes open.

They must either wait outdoors or go to the locker rooms. The locker rooms can best be likened to prison cells. Situated in the cellar where the ceiling is so low that one may hardly stand upright, the boys congregate. The lights are within the lockers themselves.

There in the badly ventilated, dimly lighted "cells" the boys congregate. A locker is allotted to a group. In it are benches, books and a few shelves. Here the boys are forced to gather if they desire to talk about their work or go over the lessons of the day.

The situation of the locker room is not one of choice. It has come of necessity. Every available space in the building has been given over to some instruction class until only the cellar remained. Here the lockers were built, and the boys sit in them during any leisure time.

The school was built in 1907 as the Hoffman School and cost about \$25,000. Additions were built in later years. In 1908 it was established as the Central Manual Training School and was occupied as such until the completion of the West Philadelphia High School for Boys. After a short period of disuse it was again utilized and annexed to the Central High School as a trade-instruction annex.

Scene of Several Fires

It has been the scene of several fires, all of which, except one, have been extinguished by the janitor. That one, which occurred January 9 of this year, resulted in two deaths. According to William Bowen, president of the Board of Education, the real regret was that the fire did not burn the entire building so that the board would have been forced to rebuild it.

As it was the damage was confined to the three-story brick extension in the rear, and was repaired at minimum cost.

On the top floor are the drafting rooms, where mechanical drawing is taught. A class of from eighty to ninety boys is frequently in session. The stairs going to that room are narrow and twisted. One boy easily fills the 36-inch width and a narrow turn at the bottom would spell death and serious injury if a sudden rush were made down them in the panic of extreme danger.

This building is among those to be replaced some day. Coupled with the condition of the Girls' Trade School at Eleventh and Pine streets, it gives the board a difficult problem. The members desire that boys wishing to take up a trade work have ample opportunity of doing so, yet many have said that first and foremost was the necessity for providing enough suitable buildings to take care of the regular school work and provide accommodations for the 41,000 children now on part time.

No Permanent Head

William M. Clime is temporarily in charge of the school. The former head, Charles Bauer, has been elected director of the Department of Vocational Education, and no new permanent head to the school has been named as yet. Despite the handicap of the building, Mr. Clime and his staff are enthusiastic about the work that the boys are doing.

"Our boys," said Mr. Clime, "have here to take positions as mechanics, electricians, carpenters, wood workers and draftsmen. We have little space to do our work and have to make use of every available inch. Take a look at this lecture room."

Mr. Clime threw open the door of a large hall on the first floor, directly in the center of the building. The room was dark and lighted artificially. Although it was a bright day outside, the corners were gloomy and the students crowded the front seats to be as near the lecturer as possible.

"This is the kind of thing we are up against," continued Mr. Clime. "It is hard to keep up the inspiration of the students when they are quartered in this manner. Upstairs our classrooms are even worse. They may be lighter but they are entirely too small. One room leads into another, so that a boy in passing from place to

SCHOOL LOCKERS FOR STUDY ROOMS



Cell-like rooms in basement of Central High School's Trade Annex at Seventeenth and Wood streets, only available place where pupils may congregate during study hours

ALCOHOL VICTIM DIES

Unidentified Man of 60 Walks into Hospital and Expires in Hour

An unidentified man about sixty years old walked into the Mount Sinai Hospital at 3:15 o'clock this morning in an intoxicated condition. He died an hour later from what physicians said was acute alcoholism.

No marks of identification were contained in the man's clothing and he was unable to tell anything about himself after entering the hospital. He was poorly dressed, had gray hair and a gray mustache and was of medium height and build. Police of the Second

ward took him to the hospital. He was found lying on the sidewalk near the intersection of Second and Chestnut streets.

The new additions in the rear are almost as bad. In the most unexpected places there are classrooms or workrooms. The boys are all working hard, and some of them are producing very creditable work.

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WHO, WHAT AND WHERE

By the Connoisseur

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NOVEMBER for men means dress clothes always ready. With winter come the opera, dinner, dances. The most perfectly tailored suit is ruined if shoes are not equally well done. The men's dress Oxfords in full patent leather by Chaplin, 1197 Chestnut Street, are exactly what you need and can also be worn with sports and morning coat for formal daytime purposes.

THE supreme beauty of Persian rugs is exemplified in the *Kerman* rug, especially featured in this week by Fritz & Lo Rue, 1812 Chestnut Street, at prices remarkably low for values unapproachable anywhere.

EVERY one aims to send unusual presents. Hallowsells, at Broad and Chestnut Streets, supply them. A gift basket of fruit is unusual, beautiful, enjoyable, appropriate present on any occasion. They cost from \$5 to \$100 and perfect delivery is guaranteed within a radius of 1000 miles.

MILES suggest distance. The most comfortable way in which to cover a long or short distance is in a *Cunningham taxi* (all Dodge cars). A good thing to remember about the *Cunningham Cab Company*, when calling during 8500, is that there is no extra charge for extra passengers. Remember that last when taking friends around in a taxi.

LITTLE details make perfection. The details of the balcony lunch in Hotel Adelphi, 13th and Chestnut Streets, are the secret of its charm. Delicious food, exquisitely prepared, deliciously served. Music interweaves its melody, golden-amber lights. An especially prepared and toasted raisin bread included with rolls and butter.

A GAIN the perfection of detail. Christmas is a season of exquisite emotion. Christmas Cards to express the tenderest sentiment perfectly must be feelingly designed by artists and reproduced by master craftsmen as are the Christmas cards from the studio-rooms of Bulfinch, Babbs & Biddle, already on display. To have personal engraving on them they must be ordered early.

THE finest things require the most care, especially women's dresses, tea and ball morning. They must always look fresh. *Brewer's*, 1114 Chestnut Street, clean or dye as perfectly as it can be done; what is equally important, they do it promptly, efficiently, quickly and deliver without delay. (Adv.)

ACCURACY in ACCOUNTING

Every month more than 165,000 telephone bills are rendered from the Accounting Department of the Bell Telephone Company to Philadelphia subscribers.

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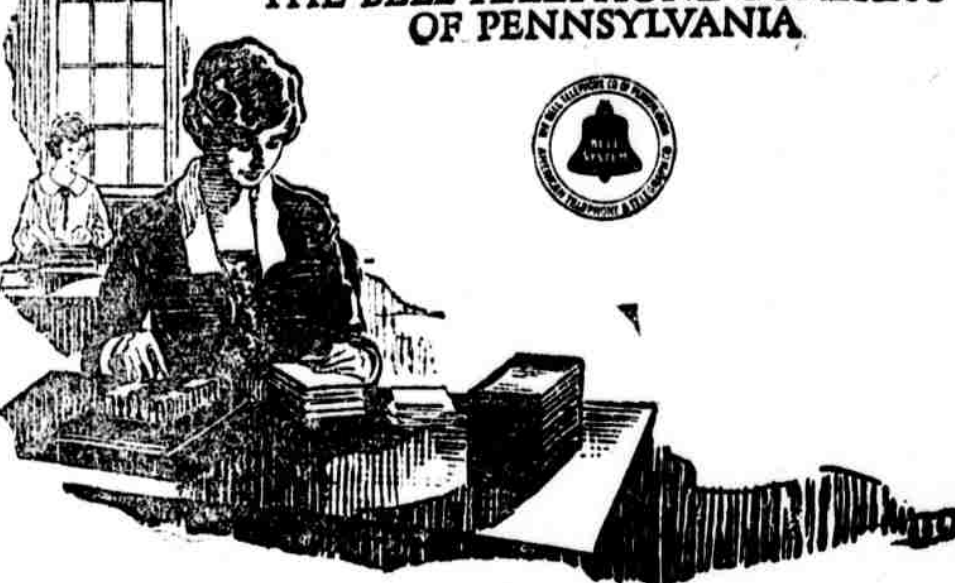
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\$20,000 IN BEQUESTS LEFT TO TWO COLLEGES

Jefferson Medical Gets \$10,000, Augustinian \$10,000 for Scholarship

Jefferson Medical College Hospital receives a bequest of \$10,000 from the \$221,000 estate of Samuel I. Hendricksen, 1132 Wagner avenue, whose will was probated today. The gift is to be used for the equipment of a new room and bed for children in honor of Mr. Hendricksen's wife, Jean C. Hendricksen. The residue of the estate goes to his mother, Mary A. Hendricksen, and brothers and sisters.

The Augustinian College of Villanova is beneficiary under the will probated today of Rose A. Nuskey, Evergreen avenue, Chestnut Hill. Of the \$10,000 Nuskey estate, \$5000 goes for a free scholarship to the school to prepare students for the priesthood.

Other wills probated are those of James Goffney, 1821 South Richmond street, \$7500; Frederick Hoyer, 3527 North Broad street, \$10,000; Bernard B. King, 5111 Chestnut street, \$10,000; Edward W. Taylor, who died in Frankford Hospital, \$8000; Emanuel Katz, 2294 North Eighteenth street, \$2000; William T. Brown, 2024 North Sixteenth street, \$110,200; Richard H. Gregory, 2153 North Randolph street, \$7500; and Louis Keitner, 9720 Washington avenue, \$4000.

An inventory was filed in the personal estate of Laura W. Smith, estimated to be worth \$109,010.12. Letters of administration were granted in the estate of Marie S. Miller, who died in St. Agnes Hospital, \$9000, and Samuel Dresner, 5300 Chestnut street, \$20,000.



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